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Talent Development Division Workforce Development

Subject: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program Year (PY) 2021

Infrastructure Funding Agreement (IFA) Payment Procedures for the Department

of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) Jobs for Veterans State Grants (JVSGs), Migrant Seasonal Farm Workers (MSFW), Michigan Rehabilitation

Services (MRS), and Unemployment Compensation (UC) Programs

Programs

Affected: The JVSG, MSFW, MRS, and UC programs funded through the LEO

References: WIOA of 2014, Public Law 113-128

WIOA Final Regulations as Published in the Federal Register on

August 19, 2016

United States Department of Labor (USDOL) Training and Employment

Guidance Letter (TEGL) 16-16, issued January 18, 2017

PI 17-12, Change 2, issued November 27, 2019, or any policy that replaces

PI 17-12, Change 2

PI 21-02, issued January 5, 2021

PI 20-10, issued May 8, 2020

PI 19-30, Change 1 issued October 8, 2021

PI 11-37, Change 2, issued May 11, 2015, or any policy that replaces PI 11-37,

Change 2

Rescissions: None

Background: The WIOA, which supersedes the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, supports the development of strong, vibrant regional economies where businesses thrive, and people want to live and work. This workforce system will be characterized by three critical hallmarks of excellence:

- 1) The needs of business and workers drive workforce solutions.
- 2) One-Stop centers provide excellent customer service to workers, job seekers, and employers, and focus on continuous improvement.
- 3) The workforce system supports strong regional economies and plays an active role in community, economic, and workforce development.

The WIOA requires local boards, with the agreement of the Chief Elected Official, to develop and execute Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) with One-Stop partners concerning the operation of the One-Stop delivery system in the local service delivery area. In accordance with the WIOA at Section 121(c) and the WIOA Final Regulations at 678.500, the MOUs must also include an IFA, which details how infrastructure costs for the One-Stop delivery system will be funded in the local area. The IFAs must adhere to the provisions outlined by the WIOA at Section 121(h) and the WIOA Final Regulations at 678.700 thru 678.755.

This policy sets forth guidance regarding the payment procedures for MWAs to receive infrastructure funding allocations identified through the Local Funding Mechanism (LFM). The LFM allocates costs based on methodologies developed by the MWAs. The negotiated and mutually agreed-upon infrastructure costs for JVSG, MSFW, MRS, and UC programs are identified in the WIOA Infrastructure Funding Agreements PY 2021 Allocation Chart attached to this policy (Attachment A). This funding is awarded for PY 2021, the time period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, and therefore, must be applied toward expenditures incurred during PY 2021.

Policy:

Consistent with PI 20-10 and PI 17-12, Change 2, or any subsequent changes regarding Instructions for Executing MOUs and IFAs under the WIOA of 2014, an IFA must be executed between the local board and each of the required One-Stop partners and attached as an addendum to the MOU. Infrastructure costs should be funded through the LFM.

Required partners must contribute toward infrastructure costs based on their proportionate use of the One-Stop delivery centers and relative benefits received. Required One-Stop partners are listed at Section 121(b)(1) of the WIOA. At a minimum, IFAs must be developed and entered into with partners as described in PI 20-10 or any subsequent changes, regarding Instructions for Executing MOUs under the WIOA of 2014.

In the LFM, One-Stop partner programs may determine what funds they will use to pay for infrastructure costs. The use of these funds must be in accordance with the requirements outlined in the WIOA Final Regulations at 678.720, and with the relevant partner's authorizing statutes and regulations. The permissible types of funds used for infrastructure costs and the additional costs of operating a local One-Stop delivery system (i.e., a partner's program or administrative funds) may differ depending upon the partner program's authorizing law and implementing regulations. The funding types and sources permissible for the One-Stop partners are outlined in Attachment II of TEGL 17-16. All amounts contributed for infrastructure costs must be allowable and based on proportionate use of the One-Stop centers and relative benefit received by the partner program and must be consistent with 2 Code of Federal Regulation, Part 200, including the federal cost principles. Cash, non-cash, and third-party in-kind contributions, as described in the WIOA Final Regulations at 678.720(c), may be provided by One-Stop partners to cover their proportionate share of the infrastructure costs.

Payment Procedure

Expenditures for the funds awarded in this policy are allowable only for those activities permitted by the WIOA or the WIOA Final Regulations. To be an allowable WIOA infrastructure expenditure, a cost must meet the following reporting categories:

- · Facilities Costs.
- Technology Costs.
- Common Identifier Marketing Costs.
- Other Infrastructure Costs.
- Costs Related to Board Functions.
- Costs to Promote Service Integration.
- · Shared Service Costs.

Note: This policy sets forth a sub-recipient relationship with the MWAs to allocate federal funding towards the local area's infrastructure costs. For PY 2021, this policy pertains only to *cash* payments towards infrastructure costs.

JVSG, MRS, and UC Payments

The JVSG, MRS, and UC funding is allocated on a Fiscal Year (FY) basis. Therefore, MWAs will receive their PY 2021 Infrastructure Funding for JVSG, MRS, and UC in two separate allotments as specified in this policy (Attachment A). The first allocation awarded for the period of July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021, will utilize JVSG, MRS, and UC FY 2021 funding. One quarter (25 percent) of the infrastructure funding will be distributed after July 1, 2021, with the remainder of the funds (remaining 75 percent) to be distributed on or after October 1, 2021, utilizing JVSG, MRS, and UC FY 2022 funding.

The MSFW funding will be awarded after July 1, 2021, in its entirety.

Monetary Shortfalls for Program Funds Awarded

Local areas shall estimate infrastructure costs prior to the program year start date. Local areas with obligations above the cost allocations identified in this policy for LEO-Workforce Development (WD) programs will be made up from existing Michigan Works! Service Center Operations funds. Shortfalls related to any other required partners, including MRS and UC, must be addressed by the end of the program year with said required partner. Cost allocation *overages* of the LEO programs will be subject to the recapture of funds if not obligated by June 30 of each program year.

Modification and Review Process

All partner contributions, regardless of type, **must be reconciled on a regular basis (at least quarterly)**, comparing actual expenses incurred to relative benefits received to ensure each partner program is contributing its proportionate share in accordance with the terms of the IFA.

The IFA must describe the periodic modification and review process to ensure equitable benefit amongst One-Stop partners. This should include a plan for reconciling actual expenses incurred to relative benefits received.

There are no specific caps on the amount or percent of overall funding a One-Stop partner may contribute to funding infrastructure costs under the LFM, except that contributions for administrative costs may not exceed the amount available for administrative costs under the authorizing statute of the partner program.

State Funding Mechanism (SFM)

The state emphasizes the importance of local One-Stop partners, local boards, and Chief Elected Officials reaching consensus on infrastructure funding during local negotiations, thus avoiding the necessity of utilizing the SFM. The SFM must consider programmatic caps, which can create uncertainty for local One-Stop partners regarding how much they will be required to contribute toward infrastructure costs and the level of service they will be able to provide to their participants. Failure of an MWA to come to a consensus regarding the terms of the IFA will trigger the SFM for that local area. If such occurs, the WIOA Infrastructure Funding Agreements PY 2021 Allocation Chart (Attachment A) must be updated and is therefore subject to change.

Profit

Please refer to the agency's Procurement Policy, PI 19-30, Change 1 or any policy replacing PI 19-30, Change 1 for further information regarding profit and corresponding limitations.

Fiscal Information

The local area will process all cash requests through the Management of Awards to Recipients System (MARS) in accordance with the MARS Manual. The local area must have on file appropriate documentation to support each cash draw. The USDOL Employment and Training Administration requires all grantees to report all financial transactions on a full accrual basis. Accrued expenditures mean the charges incurred by the grantee during a given period requiring the provision of funds for (1) goods and other tangible property received; (2) services performed by employees, contractors, sub-grantees, subcontractors, and other payees; and (3) other amounts becoming owed under programs for which no current services or performance is required, such as annuities, insurance claims, and other benefit amounts. In general, total accrued expenditures are costs incurred for goods and services received regardless of whether the payment has been made.

All reporting of fiscal expenditures for the funds provided in this policy must be reported to the WD on a quarterly basis. A final close-out report is also required. All quarterly financial expenditure reports are due to the WD no later than the 20th calendar day after the end of the calendar quarter. The final close-out report is due to the WD no later than 60 days after the end of the grant period. In the event that the due date falls on a weekend or state government holiday, the report is due on the last business day prior to the due date. Local areas must submit reports in the MARS. If there are any questions regarding cash requests or the submission of required expenditure reports, please contact Mr. Michael LaCharite via email at lacharitem1@michigan.gov.

Quarterly expenditures will include seven cost categories as noted in this policy and are as follows: Facilities Costs, Technology Costs, Common Identifier Marketing Costs, Other Infrastructure Costs, Costs Related to Board Functions, Costs to Promote Service Integration, and Shared Service Costs.

Action:

Local areas that have submitted fully executed IFAs with signatures from the Chief Elected Official(s), Workforce Development Board Chair, or their designees, will be accepted as complete and are an acceptable source for budget information and signature documentation. Therefore, no further action is required. A local area that has not submitted fully executed IFAs with signatures will need to submit IFAs prior to allocation release.

Inquiries:

Questions regarding this policy should be directed to Mr. Michael Wilson, IFA Coordinator, at LEO-IFACommunication@michigan.gov.

This policy is available for downloading from the WD website.

The WD is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Please contact Ms. Carla Burdick by telephone at 517-647-9384 or by email at BurdickC@michigan.gov for details.

The WD is funded by State and Federal funds; more details are available on the Legal Disclaimer page at www.michigan.gov/workforce.

Expiration

Date: June 30, 2022

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ATTACHMENT A

WIOA Infrastructure Funding Agreements PY 2021 Allocation Chart

MWA Name	Migrant Seasonal Farm Workers (MSFW) July 1 Allocation	Jobs for Veterans State Grants (JVSG) July 1 Allocation	JVSG October 1 Allocation	Total PY21 JVSG Allocation	Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS) July 1 Allocation	MRS October 1 Allocation	Total PY21 MRS Allocation	Unemployment Compensation (UC) July 1 Allocation	UC October 1 Allocation	Total PY21 UC Allocation
Berrien/Cass/Van Buren	\$59,727	\$5,669	\$17,008	\$22,678	\$3,845	\$11,535	\$15,380	\$7,087	\$21,260	\$28,347
Capital Area	\$0	\$1,674	\$5,021	\$6,694	\$849	\$2,547	\$3,396	\$1,698	\$5,094	\$6,792
Detroit Employment										
Solutions Corp (DESC)	\$0	\$1,075	\$3,226	\$4,302	\$538	\$1,613	\$2,151	\$1,075	\$3,226	\$4,302
GST	\$15,866	\$4,822	\$14,467	\$19,289	\$9,909	\$29,727	\$39,636	\$46,795	\$140,385	\$187,180
Great Lakes Bay	\$0	\$3,360	\$10,079	\$13,439	\$20,498	\$61,494	\$81,992	\$21,019	\$63,058	\$84,078
Macomb/St. Clair	\$0	\$5,059	\$15,177	\$20,236	\$7,987	\$23,960	\$31,946	\$14,363	\$43,088	\$57,450
Northeast	\$0	\$1,530	\$4,589	\$6,118	\$10,878	\$32,634	\$43,512	\$9,011	\$27,033	\$36,044
Northwest	\$24,149	\$5,828	\$17,485	\$23,313	\$3,375	\$10,125	\$13,500	\$23,127	\$69,382	\$92,509
Oakland County	\$0	\$836	\$2,508	\$3,344	\$6,852	\$20,556	\$27,408	\$17,130	\$51,391	\$68,521
Region 7B	\$0	\$2,682	\$8,047	\$10,730	\$11,408	\$34,223	\$45,631	\$23,285	\$69,856	\$93,141
SE Michigan Consortium	\$6,058	\$10,051	\$30,152	\$40,202	\$31,338	\$94,014	\$125,352	\$17,415	\$52,246	\$69,661
SEMCA	\$0	\$8,343	\$25,030	\$33,374	\$25,163	\$75,489	\$100,652	\$16,058	\$48,175	\$64,233
Southwest	\$0	\$7,212	\$21,636	\$28,848	\$4,904	\$14,711	\$19,615	\$27,924	\$83,773	\$111,697
Upward Talent Council	\$0	\$8,212	\$24,636	\$32,848	\$5,618	\$16,853	\$22,470	\$36,373	\$109,120	\$145,493
West Central	\$14,195	\$1,683	\$5,048	\$6,730	\$2,246	\$6,737	\$8,982	\$27,729	\$83,187	\$110,916
West Michigan Works!	\$20,757	\$7,980	\$23,940	\$31,920	\$23,662	\$70,987	\$94,649	\$17,694	\$53,081	\$70,775
	\$140,753	\$76,016	\$228,049	\$304,065	\$169,068	\$507,204	\$676,272	\$307,785	\$923,354	\$1,231,139